ROADS OVERPAID,

Postmaster-General Compares Mail Charges With Express Rates.

WRITES ANOTHER LETTER

WASHINGTON, April 11.-Postmaster General Burleson, who is known as the "ready letter writer" of this administration, issued another statement to-day bearing on his controversy with railway managers relative to railway mail pay In his previous statements on the subject. Mr. Burleson has used sharp language in referring to railway managers accusing them of misrepresentation, bad faith and other acts of impropriety. In to-day's statement, the Postmaster-General resorts only to argument, contend ing that all the facts warrant the conclusion that in carrying the mails th railways are generally fairly paid, and in some instances receive remuneration far beyond the worth of the service fur-

Special reference is made by the Postmaster-General to statements recently made on behalf of railways attacking his comparison of revenue from mail and acted. The Postmaster-General reiterates his charge that railways sometimes carry express at cheaper rates than the mails, and he states that from malls, and he states that frequently the Department sends empty mail bags by express as a means of saving money Discussing the carriage of "through mails between New York and Chicago the Postmaster-General said:

Express Rates One-half.

'The through mails carried between "The through mails carried between New York and Chicago are more than one-third in weight of all mails car-ried on the route. Of these through mails over 100,000 pounds average daily weight are what are called competitive mails; that is, they may be for-warded by either principal through line

differences would be slightly increased tical reasons and political reasons only or decreased as the malls should fluc-

the present system, which tended by the law as it reads."

The ex-Governor then we some of the railroads are contending. The ex-Governor then went into shall be continued, the Department is figures to bear out his contentions, sayshall be continued, the Department avail ing: helpless in such a case and cannot avail ing:
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the railroads desire to compare to rebuild and build roads over. their express revenue on one pound packages, then such comparison should be made with the highest mail rate per pound received from the Department. This if applied to such weight between New York and Chicago (the example given by the railways for their one pound express package) is 50 cents a pound, as compared with 11½ cents a pound which would be received by them from a one pound package of express. This comparison is greatly against them, but the Department does not advance it, because it does not represent actual average conditions in

The railways state that the smaller life bulk of the actual business and cite, as an instance, the carrying of 100 one as an instance, the carrying of 100 one pound express packages and the rate pound expression the full them again and this will them again

parcel post it was found that the average weight of an express parcel was slightly under 33 pounds.

"In many cases even the entire express rate is lower than the rate paid the railroad companies for the same weights of mail over the same routes."

AERO FLIGHTS ON JULY 4.

City Asked to Provide \$7,500 in Cash Prizes.

The Acro Club of America has asked the city of New York for \$7,500 to be the city of New York for \$1,300 to be awarded for aeroplane flights around Manhattan Island on July 4. The contest committee of the Aero Club has suggested to Mayor Mitchel that the

The total amount of prize money awarded for the Fourth of July race awarded for the Fourth of July race around Manhattan last year was \$2,000.

MURDER OF GIRL SUSPECTED.

Body Found in a Lake Identified as Pauline Sullivan's.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The identifi-cation of the body of a young woman found yesterday in a small lake used for fish culture near College Park, Md., as that of Pauline Sullivan, aged 17, has led the police of Maryland and the District of Columbia to suspect that she

The circumstances do not point to The body was found near the dge of the lake in water eighteen inches

g woman was murdered and her taken to the lake in an automobile.

OPPOSERS MEET TO-DAY TO M'ANENY THRIFT IS BURLESON REPEATS PLAN SECURED TAX FIGHT

Business Men Fear Mills Bill Will Deal Blow to Interests of State-Find in "Joker" Chance for Tax Dodging on Big Scale.

Because of the alarm felt in business and investment circles over the secured tax bill introduced in the State Legislature by Senator Ogden L. Mills a series of conferences will be held this and investment circles over the secured tax bill introduced in the State Legis-lature by Senator Ogden L. Mills a series of conferences will be held this morning over the measure. Preparations will be made to present arguments against the bill at the hearing set in Albany before the Senate Finance Committee to morrow.

measure, if passed, will drive from the State an incalculable amount of business. The uneasiness over this threatened loss is deepened because experts say that any attempt to amend the bill would be hopeless. They say that the bill is so poorly drawn and shows such little knowledge of the situation that amendments will tend to make the limpression that New York business men are behind it. "That was the idea in having Senator Mills introduce the bill," said one man yesterday. "The real author of the bill is Senator Brown, but it was measure even worse.

express on certain specific business trans- article or under article eleven of this

lateral, it would not be necessary him to pay any tax on the bonds.

the bill is Senator Brown, but it was decided that by having Senator Mills As proof of the careless manner in introduce the measure it would many persons to believe that New was pointed out yesterday. It is asserted that there are other features of fact business men are against it." introduce the measure it would lead many persons to believe that New York ousiness men wanted it enacted. As a

The "joker" is in paragraph 337 of the bill, headed, "Exemption of securities deposited as collateral." It reads:
"Bonds, notes or other obligations for the payment of money held as collateral." the payment of money held as collateral ditional revenue. A large direct tax is to secure the payment of bonds, notes in any event inevitable. That the enor other obligations taxable under this tire burden should be borne by real esin any event inevitable. That the en-tire burden should be borne by real es-tate is not only inequitable but cerchapter shall, while so held, be exempt from taxation under this article."

Experts who found that a promissory note running for more than a year could be taxed at the rate of \$1.50 for every \$1,000 of the face value of the

GLYNN SAYS DIRECT TAX IS A BIG STATE CRIME

tive mails; that is, they may be forwarded by either principal through line and, therefore, are subject to equalization agreement. The Department pays the railways for these maits at the rate of \$903,359 a year. If it paid them at the rate they would receive as their share of the charge if these mails were of \$903,359 a year. If it paid them share of the charge if these mails were carried as express they would receive out the State. The appropriation of south the State. The appropriation of south the State is for politically a year.

on the good roads in a way never in-

16 ACCEPTANCES FOR

build such new buildings as are needed for the charitable institutions. To-day the present policy at Albany is to swell this amount to nearly \$5,000,000. There

is no justification for such an advance over Gov. Whitman's original estimate. "The only excuse is a log rolling ex-cuse for local political effect, and more money has been spent upon our chari-table institutions through log rolling for political effect than for necessity or need. The charitable dependents ought to be well taken care of, but it is a serious question if they ought to be housed bet-ter and treated better than the average axpayer of the State is able to house

"Furthermore, the scheme of putting up large public buildings and levying the sum total for their erection out of the general fund in one year or two ought to be erected by a series of bonds. "There should be no sinking fund for e bonds, but they should be paid for n instalments each year. In this way no one year would bear a burden and

THOUSANDS WASTED IN RENTS.

Albany Report Shows Reckless Ex-

ALBANY, April 11 .- The State has 125 actual average conditions in the present system of good roads, and when they do 1 am afraid that the politicians responsible for these roads for housing State departments nearly roads for housing State departments nearly as experts in municipal economy will wish that they never entered public \$325,000. Executive Auditor George A. The bonds to build the good roads Glynn recently discovered in an investi-The bonds to build the good roads and cities the actual business and cities tance, the carrying of 100 one appress packages and the rate for each piece of the same.

"The bonds to build the good roads gation of State rental costs. He found also that although all State departments are equipped with the best type of furnishings requests for new furnishings requesi

TITTA RUFFO SAYS MONEY CONFERENCE

Latin American Nations Eager Has Stayed Out of War Too to Talk Over McAdoo's

Plan.

WASHINGTON, April 11.-The Pan-

Cuba and Salvador.

"In addition to the ministers of fi-nance, bankers and other distinguished representatives coming direct from Latin America, the Chilean Ambassador to the United States and the Ministers of Bolivia, Guatemala, Colombia, Honduras, Cuba and Venezuela accredited to Washington, so far, have announced their intention of attending. The remaining members of the Central and South American diplomatic corps are expected to

deep. The body was fully dressed, the clothing being identified to-day as that worn by Miss Sullivan at the time of her disappearance from her home here on December 13 last.

The theory of the police is that the young woman was murdered and her relations among the American repub-

ITALY WON'T PROFIT

Long to Get Territory,

Singer Declares.

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Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo to
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and \$500 are to be awarded to the four
aviators entered in the National Aeroplane Competition who, having started
from another city, shall arrive in New
York between 2:30 and 4:30 P. M. land
on Governors Island, and either before
or after the landing make flights around
Manhattan.

Titta Ruffo, the Italian barytone, with
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Titta Ruffo and Carlo Younger of
Madrid, arrived at the Hotel Knickerbox becker yesterday from Genoa. The trip
by the steamship Finland took seventeen days.

The saw no German submarines, but they met a big squadron of
British warships on their way to foin
the allied fleets at the Dardanelles.

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The National Aeroplane Competition will last from July 4 to Columbus Day, October 12, and will be held simultaneously in several cities in different parts of the United States, the contestants flying between these cities.

The total amount of prize money of the conference is to establish stronger, wider and closer financial and trade relations among the American nations. The statement continues:

"Secretary McAdoo to-day received the acceptances of the governments of the acceptances of the governments of Colombia, Paraguay, Costa Rica and Decomposition of the conference is to establish stronger. The opening of the new municipal opera house. From Havana Ruffo will go to Buenos Ayes and other South American cities. He is to receive it is said, \$3,000 a night for his services.

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Venezuela. Acceptances had previously been received from Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Uruguay, Guatemala, Peru, Honduras, Panama, Nicaragua, Ecuador, Government. The majority of Italians Government. The majority of Italians Government. The majority of Italians are against accepting the territory un-less it be acquired by force of arms. Ruffo believes that Italy has kept out of the war so long that she has very little chance of participating in the rewards and the partition of territory that

The New York Legislative League

"All reports from Latin America continue to indicate intense interest in the conference, and Secretary McAdoo is receiving numerous indorsements of it from hankers and harden Mrs. M. Lawrence Keene, Miss Elsie de Wolfe, T. Chelsely Richardson, A. Morris Bagby and Clifton Webb.

charge of last night's programme in the McAlpin, when the first of a series of evening salons of the Women's Ameribody taken to the lake in an automobile.

Miss Sullivan was a sister of Lieut, W.
R. Sullivan of the Marine Corps. He followed many clues in an effort to locate his sister and finally reached the conclusion that she committed suicide, for she had threatened to do so. She was suffering from nervous troubles when she disappeared.

Nurses Want an Eight Hour Day.

ELIZABETH, N. J., April 11.—The State Nurses Association at its thirteenth annual conference in this city passed to-day a resolution in favor of an eight hour day service for all graduate nurses.

PRENDERGAST JOKE

Comptroller Thinks Aldermen's President Lives in Glass House.

City Comptroller William A. Prender gast, discussing the much mooted direct State tax, defended the State officials against the charges of extravagance yesterday by saving in effect that people in glass houses should not throw stones He hinted that some of the city officials were living in glass houses, and he named George McAneny, President of the Board of Aldermen.

But Mr. Prendergast insisted that th State administration was 'economical, whereas some of the municipal official refused to heed his advice and sugges tions concerning the saving of money regard. Mr. Prendergast said :

These attacks upon the State ad ministration have not been primarily for the benefit of the city of New York but for the benefit of Tammany Hall, through such discredit as may be cast upon the Republican State administraafter to make it my business to answer right away with an example of what

Refers to Highway Scandal.

The Comptroller then took up th nance of State highways. "Attempt, wasteful device of the present State ad ministration." He referred to the corruption that existed in the highways is the Democratic administrations and co

"The appropriation last year was \$2 243,228.52, making a difference on the surface favor of last year of \$1.691,048.49. business December 31, 1913, there was on hand in county treasurers' offices and in the State Comptroller's office \$2,554.-203.86, which, together with the appro the unexpended balance together with with the work to be done, the mileag

Mr Prendergast then makes an tack on municipal officials. He said that "some of our municipal officials seem to think that they have been en dowed with a special mission to act censors of the appropriating power the State Legislature."

"For them to do so," he argued, "

Commission compiled several years ago indicated that the revenue received by the Adams Express Company from packages not over one pound in weight and that the received from all packages less than twenty pounds in weight, and that the revenue received by the United States of the total revenue received by the United States of the total revenue received by the United States of the state for the further pounds in weight, and that the revenue received by the United States of the total revenue received by the United States of the treather of the total revenue received by the United States are, in my opinion, all out of was only 6 per cent.

"Since those statistics were secured this percentage has greatly decreased because the parcel post service has taken the beginning of the present administration of the beginning of the present administration of the power a vast number of small express packages. Before the advent of the packages and the proposed by the last six weeks a resolution proposed by the hast six weeks a resolution call six six weeks a resolution proposed by the hast six weeks a resolution proposed by

why do they not take advantage of several weeks and it was expected that these opportunities to economize in the a decision might come down last Moncity government?"

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Death Rate Hard. ALBANY, April 11 .- A reduction in the covers the first year of the working of management of the hotel. Nobody the public health law adopted in 1913, claimed it. Foster, who read about the which the Hinman bills now pending in honest porter next day, kept mum. the Legislature seek to revolutionize completely.

to arouse communities to the necessity for child welfare work, to point out that these attacks when they are untruthful a high infant mortality was unneces-or attempt to create an impression sary, to establish infant welfare sta-which is untruthful by half statement tions and to improve the general milk

Forty-five cities were visited and 150 popular health lectures were given from had been counted at the bank.

April 1 to July 1. During the summer Detective Mallon and nobody of 75,000 were distributed, being printed

TIPPERARY THE WRONG TUNE.

thems-Hebrew Band Surprises. It was a Lincoln memorial service last night in the Rev. Dr. William H. Morgan's Calvary Methodist Episcopal of Lee's surrender at Appointation the proper arder and enthusiasm. And the biggest feature of the evening was to be the band hidden away in an antero of the gallary to play the national anthems that would touch the old men's hearts. They did. Dr. Morgan opened Tipperary Consternation! Chagrin! Surprise

And then Dr. Morgan an-

"I forgot to say, ladies and gentle-

PUPILS TO IMPROVE PARKS.

sponses to Appeals to Children. Park Commissioner Cabot Ward relewed vesterday the results of his first week of 9 o'clock talks to public school He spoke last week to some 3.00

children in schools near John Jay and Carl Schurz parks. He has already re-

was superintendent and principal owner.
The case has been under advisement fo



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STOLE ON SHIP TO SPEND ON BROADWAY LEADS HEALTH WAR

York Confesses Robbing Strong Box.

BACK FOR PUNISHMENT APPEALS FOR A CHANGE

When Sidney M. Foster, junior third officer of the American liner New York sailed on his last trip to England he left a trail of golden double eagles in the candescence. For a few nights he was number of infant deaths in New York a sport, and after the careless manner State during the last year from 137 to of the class he was a bit reckless with 112 per thousand births is one of the the double eagles, four of which flew striking advances recorded by the annual out of his pockets while he was in the report of Dr. Herman M. Biggs, State lavatory of the Hotel Imperial. A porter Commissioner of Health. The report found the gold and turned it over to the

Detective Eddie Mallon of the International Mercantile Marine also read Department. "I am in perfect sympath The work of the division of child the story and he coupled it with another hygiene shows a saving of over 1.400 that told how the New York's specie infants' lives through an educational campaign that cost \$14.500. This campaign was carried on to show mothers how to care for and feed their children, box containing double eagles shipped by room on her trip ending at this port on said. Baring Bros. & Co. to Kidder, Peabody & Co. of this city was opened and how sary, to establish infant welfare sta-tions and to improve the general milk. The loss of \$2.360 was not discovered to establish infant welfare sta- shining new coins had been abstracted until the remaining 118 double eagles

Detective Mallon and nobody else of nonths exhibits were sent to the country fairs. Later on exhibits were the International Merchant Marine the city of New York last year ordered full time service on the part of bureau chiefs and pamphlets to the number a time in the bright places. Mallon went officials. to the Imperial Hotel and learned that the young officer had stopped there two nights and had ordered things from several department stores. Mallon found eral department stores. Mallon found also that Foster had paid for everything he had ordered and for sparkling waters and foodstuffs in double eagles. Mr. Folks is a member of this public health council and its guiding star it is which he had in all pockets. That was quite enough for the detective. He told the Federal authorities, and when Foster returned to Liverpool he was followed to his home in Southampton and arrested. haps has never occurred to those in-the had had only five days in the Tender-loin and still had a large number of the that Mr. Folks has little axes of his own Charch, special music, patriotic addresses, a programme of patriotic features and the presence of many old veterans giving the fiftleth anniversary of Lee's surrender at Appropriately the over to the Liverpool representatives of tisan politican manipulation despite the

he hopes will be mitigated by his sur- to try to mix such incompatible materials render and the fact that he has a young as politics and health, or charity. The wife and two children in Southampton. He was accompanied by Alfred Lamothe.
formerly of Scotland Yard but now a
detective at Liverpool of the I. M. M.

He was accompanied by Alfred Lamothe.
Folks.

"It is well known that at the last elective at Liverpool of the I. M. M.
tlon the Health Department was used the bay and came back with Foster, who issued to the medical profession asking was formally arrested when he landed support for Gov. Glynn, the funds of the by United States Deputy Marshal Kumb. department were used in contravention

HINMAN SAYS FOLKS

Junior Third Officer on New Lays to Charity Worker All Politics in Fight on

ALBANT, April 11 .- In a defence of his oills amending the health law Republican Leader Harold J. Hinman of the Assembly said to-night that he is in jecting "good governmental principle into the health laws' instead of injecting politics, as has been charged, "Whatever politics is being mixe

with health or charity is being mixed by Homer Folks, secretary of the Stat-Charities Aid Association," added Mr Hinman. He asserted that Mr. Folks is trying to work up sentiment against hi Mr. Hinman explained that his bill

are not intended to cripple the Health with the State's work of safeguarding the health of the people of the State," h "The bills provide that the Commis

sloner of Health, who receives \$8,000 a year, shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office," explained Ma a year, shall devote their entire time taxpayers will support me in this contention. The Department of Health of the city of New York last year ordered full time service on the part of bureau

"Nurses, physicians, members of chambers of commerce, teachers and others interested in public health mat-ters throughout the State have received plain that he is personally interested be-cause it interferes with his autocratic powers, which as a principle of government he ought not to have.

actively engaged in personal and pa Foster arrived yesterday as a cabin passenger aboard the White Star liner Arabic, from Liverpool, penitent and willing to stand his punishment, which it is wrong or foolish for any one else

Harold A. Content, an Assistant for political purposes. Its publication lited States Attorney here, went down contained partisan appeals, letters wer He was locked up in the Tombs, and of the spirit if not the letter of the law He was locked up in the Tombs, and of the spirit it not the letter of the law will be arraigned before Commissioner | Such a spectacle was never before seen Houghton this morning. He has re- in this State—the dragging in the mire stored in all \$1.800 of the money, including \$500 he had banked here.

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